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Army birthday message

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On April 19, 1775, Massachusetts militiamen defended the towns of Lexington and Concord in the "shot heard round the world" leaders in the War of American Independence. With their actions, those colonial patriots laid the groundwork for America's Army. Over the next month and a half, with considerable operations security to ensure it's survival, the Continental Congress took steps to stand up "the American Continental Army" the official act took place on June 14, when Congress directed the raising of ten companies of riflemen, approved an enlistment form for them, and appointed a committee to draft necessary rules and regulations.

So one year before the writing of the Declaration of Independence, the establishment of our Army helped ensure the security and existence of our budding democracy.

Since then, the U.S. Army has continued to play a vital role in the growth and development of America. For 230 years, citizen Soldiers have answered the call of duty and through their actions provided

a symbol of commitment to something larger than themselves a value-based society which stands for a free, pluralistic way of life with opportunity for all. Together with our sister military services, our military has answered the call generation after generation; we understand better than most that freedom is not free.

The Soldiers and civilians here at INSCOM are proud members of America's Army and Armed Forces. Over 800 are deployed in harm's way, as I speak, to keep that commitment.

Last month, at Memorial Day ceremonies, we honored three of INSCOM's best who paid the ultimate sacrifice: Chief Warrant Officer 2 Chris Nason, Sgt. Maj. "Odie" Odell and Sgt. Cari Ann Gasiewicz. Last week we lost another, Sgt. Roberto Arizola, to enemy ambush in Iraq. They, and thousands of their "mates" worldwide, reflect the Warrior Ethos and Army Values that make Army service a privilege and our Nation a beacon of light for oppressed people around the globe.

Today also commemorates the creation of our



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National flag. On this day in 1777, two years after the establishment of our Army and one year after the official founding of America, the Continental Congress passed the first Flag Act. The original flag had 13 alternating red and white stripes and 13 white stars on a field of blue.

Since its creation, America's flag and her Army have been indivisible. Our flag represents the values that set our nation apart as a world leader; it also symbolizes the Americans that came before us, our hometowns and families, and generations to come. We say "thank you" when we salute it in the morning and carefully fold it

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INSCOM celebrates Army's birthday



photo by Brian Murphy

(From left to right) Chief Warrant Officer 5 Eddie Mallard, Maj. Gen. John F. Kimmons and Spc. Shayla Carlisle cut the Army's birthday cake during a ceremony June 14.

WASHINGTON (Army News Service) – The Army's 230th birthday celebration became an international affair, as civilian and military personnel from Baghdad to Fort Belvoir, Va., joined forces with worldwide festivities.

The June 14 celebration commemorates the approval by Congress in 1775 to establish a Continental Army for the defense and security of the American continent.

In a joint letter released by Army Secretary Francis J. Harvey, Army Chief of Staff Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker, and Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth O. Preston, the Army's top officials acknowledged the

Army's "call to duty" during its involvement in the War on Terrorism, and thanked today's Soldiers for their service to the nation.

"Our nation appreciates your courage, your sacrifice and your selfless-service," the letter read.

The U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command honored the special occasion with a ceremony at the Nolan Bldg., Fort Belvoir.

At the conclusion of the ceremony, Maj. Gen. John F. Kimmons, INSCOM's commanding general, along with the youngest and oldest Soldiers in the command, cut the celebratory cake.

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What do the Air Force Academy, Guantanamo Bay and combat roles for female Soldiers have in common? They are all hot topics in today's news.

With this in mind, Equal Opportunity awareness is at the top of the list within most military and government agencies. The White House Communications Agency, Bolling Air Force Base, Va., is no exception and personally invited Sgt. 1st Class Charlotte J. Montavon, EO advisor, 902nd Military Intelligence Group, Fort Meade, Md., to give an EO briefing to their Logistics Division, June 7.

The White House Communications Agency provides communication services to numerous offices and agencies within Washington D.C. and receives its direction from the White House Military Office. As with all military services and agencies that support the U.S., EO awareness is very high in priority at the Agency.

Master Sgt. Danny R. Crisp, senior enlisted advisor, Logistics Division, White House Communications Agency, said that he was tasked by his superior to get a full EO brief for his personnel. Lt Col. Richard F. McCusker, logistics director, said he wanted one that covered every aspect of EO, and Crisp knew just the person to fulfill that mission. "Being a former member of the



photo by Tina Miles

Sgt. 1st Class Charlotte J. Montavon gives a brief to the White House Communications Agency, at Bolling Air Force Base, June 7.

902nd MI Group, I knew of Montavon's exceptional briefing capabilities and invited her to speak. She didn't let us down."

Montavon was asked to give a full EO briefing covering all the topics, from discrimination and harassment to sexism and extremism. Crisp commented that her briefing was informative and several audience members left more aware of EO than before they arrived.

"Most people think they know EO, until you start asking questions," Montavon said. "Then they realize they aren't quite as aware as they originally thought."

While covering the areas of concern regarding discrimination, one audience member commented, "Aren't race and color the same thing?" "That's what most people think," replied

Montavon, as she pointed out the distinction between the two, saying that within race you have (shades of) color.

Another example of misconception was demonstrated by a slide displaying a popular tattoo of a spider web. She pointed out that most people get these tattoos without understanding the meaning behind them; in this case the spider web represents a prison tattoo received when a racist has spent time in jail. "Most people get these tattoos just because they think they look cool," Montavon said. Later they find out what they really symbolize.

Montavon closed ensuring each audience member knew the proper procedures to handle the issues and how to report them appropriately.

UTAMS system honored

by Brian Murphy

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Its common sense — if someone is firing at you, you're going to want to know where it's coming from as soon as possible.

Fortunately, for those faced with this daunting scenario, tracking down the culprit just got easier.

The Army Research Laboratory, with help from the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command, developed an effective solution, known as the Unattended Transient Acoustic MASINT System (or UTAMS), specifically designed to quickly show deployed Soldiers where hostile fire is coming from.

The product was so well received, that it was recognized by the Department of the Army as one of the "Top 10 Greatest Inventions of 2005" during an awards ceremony at the Hilton McLean in Tyson's Corner, Va., June 8.

"We weren't looking for any recognition, but it's a nice pat on the back," said Jay Farris, deputy director, Technical Operations Support Activity, INSCOM.

In February 2004, the Army Research Laboratory was tasked by the Army Materiel Command to come up with a low cost mortar/rocket location system for use in Iraq. Within three months, the Army Research Laboratory, with support and funding from INSCOM, developed, tested and fielded five complete systems in Iraq.

But how does it work?

UTAMS is a relatively inexpensive acoustic system that detects and locates any loud event such as a mortar or rocket firing, munitions impact, or other explosive events. It is a classic sound ranging (acoustic) system that utilizes advanced processing techniques to quickly and independently locate the source of fire.

The UTAMS system normally is employed with four acoustic arrays set up several hundreds meters apart. Each array detects an impulsive event, such as a mortar/rocket launch, and determines the line of bearing from the array to the launch site. The lines of bearing from each array are then transmitted to the UTAMS Base Station Laptop where the results are combined to establish the location of the firing point (also known as the point of origin).

The system was so well received, that the Army Research Laboratory has been asked to get more out to the Middle East as soon as possible.

"Currently this system is providing us with the only situational awareness device for rocket, mortar, roadside bombs, and small arms fire. The situational awareness that this device gives us is second to none. No longer do we just hear booms in the night and wonder what is going on. It has drastically cut down on the 'fog of war' by giving us and the



Base Defense Coordinator a much clearer picture of the battlefield," said an Army major working with a Special Forces Group in Iraq.

According to those involved, it's invaluable feedback from Soldiers like this that has helped to make this one of the Army's best inventions of 2005.

"We're constantly in contact with those individuals out in the field who are using the UTAMS," said Farris.

"One of the suggestions we received was to add solar panels. After some initial research, we decided this was something we could do while still keeping the overall cost down, so that was something we've implemented."

INSCOM is also in the process of establishing a secure Web site where users can send questions and requests for support, Farris said.

"We will continue to evolve the UTAMS to make it easier for those in theater," he said.

Help wanted: apply within

by Sgt. Tricia Ortiz
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There has never been a better time to submit your packet for the U. S. Army military intelligence warrant officer program, says Chief Warrant Officer 5 Eddie Mallard, command chief warrant officer, U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command.

The Army is currently expanding the number of warrant officer applications it's accepting in all military intelligence fields.

"This opportunity is a great way to advance your career and earn the prestige of being called a U.S. Army MI warrant officer," said Mallard. "Only two percent of the U.S. Army Soldiers are in the warrant officer program. This makes the warrant program an elite corps and the commanders' trusted advisors.

The Army teaches specialized technical training to this trusted cadre and that let's them serve not just as advisors, but as mentors to junior officers and Soldiers as well as the voice of experience to the command," he said.

He also added there are other advantages on becoming a warrant officer, such as increased basic pay, faster promotions, an extended career path and challenging assignments.

"I personally decided to become a warrant officer because of the respect and leadership that professional senior warrants command; and then, there are the promotion advantages," said Mallard

There are various trainings and job opportunities in the MI field for qualified service members who have a MI background and want to

become an Army intelligence warrant officer. The ideal candidate must have five to eight years of service, with four years of operational experience in the MI field. Additional requirements for the program are: candidates must have a GT score of 110 or higher and should be less than 46 years old.

Mallard, takes great pleasure in knowing he made a difference to subordinates, and has professional pride in the many accomplishments he has made during his years in the Army.

Soldiers interested in applying to become an intelligence warrant officer, should contact Mallard at (703) 428-4655 or e-mail him at: eddie.mallard@us.army.mil. For more information about the warrant officer program, go to www.usarec.army.mil/warrant.

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each evening; we say "thank you" again when we use it as a symbol of selfless sacrifice and honor over the coffins of our fallen. Its meaning transcends the material it's made out of; it continues to rally us and inspire us as it has done for generations of our Soldiers on battlefields around the world.

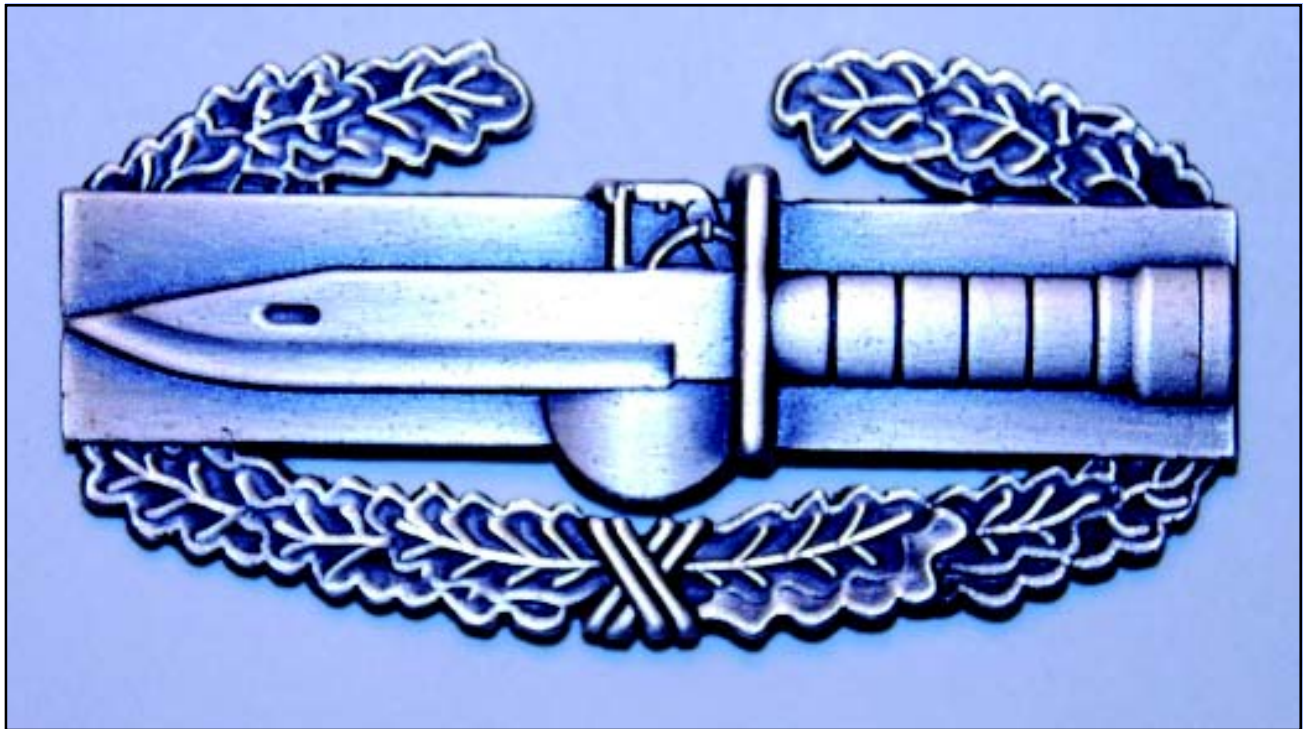
Most of all, this Army birthday and National Flag celebration is about American Soldiers, whose courage, dedication to their comrades in arms and nation, determination and compassion serve as bedrock for the American way of life the "weapon of mass attraction" that draws the best and brightest citizens across the globe to our shores each year. Freedom, fairness and opportunity;

our adversaries just don't get it and they will never match it.

We remain an Army and nation at war, with over 350,000 Soldiers and civilians deployed overseas across 120 countries worldwide. They, and all of you, perform remarkable feats every day with honor, make sacrifices without blinking in service to the Army and joint team.

I couldn't be more proud of each of you. Thank you for all you do; thanks to each of your families for holding down the "home front" and growing our children into citizens we can be proud of. God bless each of you and God bless America.

Maj. Gen. John F. Kimmons



Army photo

The new Combat Action Badge will be available in clothing sales stores later this summer.

Combat Action Badge info released

WASHINGTON (Army News Service) — The Army announced the eligibility requirements for its new Combat Action Badge.

The requirements are laid out in a Department of the Army letter published on June 3. The letter also discusses changes to the Combat Infantryman Badge and the Combat Medic Badge.

The CAB design features both a bayonet and grenade. According to the specific eligibility requirements, it may be awarded to any Soldier performing assigned duties in an area where hostile fire pay or imminent danger pay is authorized; who is personally present and actively engaging or being engaged by the

enemy; and who is performing satisfactorily in accordance with the prescribed rules of engagement.

Award of the CAB is not limited by branch or military occupational specialty; however, to receive the CAB, a Soldier must not be assigned or attached to a unit that would qualify the Soldier for the CIB or CMB.

The CAB's creation was approved by Army chief of staff Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker on May 2, 2005, to provide special recognition to Soldiers who personally engage or are engaged by the enemy.

"Warfare is still a human endeavor," Schoomaker said. "Our intent is to recognize

Soldiers who demonstrate and live the Warrior Ethos."

"The Global War on Terrorism and its associated operations will be the first era of conflict considered for this award," said Lt. Col. Bill Johnson, Human Resources Command chief of military awards. "September 18, 2001, is the effective date for the new award. That is when President Bush signed Senate Joint Resolution 23, authorizing the use of military force against those responsible for the recent attacks launched against the United States."

The CAB should be available late this summer or early fall through unit supply and military clothing sales stores.